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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

### **Notice of Opposition**

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

### **Opposer Information**

Name	Reliant Technologies, LLC
Granted to Date of previous extension	11/12/2014
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### **Applicant Information**

Application No	86212264	Publication date	07/15/2014
Opposition Filing Date	11/12/2014	Opposition Peri- od Ends	11/12/2014
Applicant	FRACTOGRAF, LLC Suite 250 Maple Lawn, MD 20759 UNITED STATES		

## Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 009. First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: computer software to enable uploading, downloading, accessing, posting, displaying, editing, tagging, blogging, streaming, linking, sharing or otherwise providing electronic media or information via computer and communication networks; software for sending and receiving electronic messages, graphics, images, audio andaudio visual content via global communication networks; computer software for the collection, editing, organizing, modifying, transmission, storage and sharingof data and information; computer software for accessing, browsing and searching online databases; computer software for personal information management, and data synchronization software

## **Grounds for Opposition**

Priority and likelihood of confusion	Trademark Act section 2(d)
Dilution	Trademark Act section 43(c)

## Marks Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Registration	2974491	Application Date	02/08/2004

No.			
Registration Date	07/19/2005	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	FRAXEL		
Design Mark	FRA	XEL	
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 010. First use: First Use Medical Lasers	e: 2004/09/30 First U	se In Commerce: 2004/09/30
U.S. Registration No.	3259488	Application Date	12/15/2005
Registration Date	07/03/2007	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	FRAXEL		
Design Mark		axe	1
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 044. First use: First Use Cosmetic and plastic surgery		
U.S. Registration No.	3518039	Application Date	10/20/2006

Registration Date	10/14/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	FRAXEL		
Design Mark	frax	el .	
Description of Mark	The mark consists of the wor various sizes arranged in a s		t of which is a design of dots of
Goods/Services		e: 2007/07/31 First U	Jse In Commerce: 2007/07/31
	Lasers for medical use		
	Class 044. First use: First Us	e: 2008/04/07 First U	Jse In Commerce: 2008/04/07
	plastic surgery and dermatol	ogical treatment serv	rices

U.S. Registration No.	3450499	Application Date	04/05/2007
Registration Date	06/17/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	FRAXEL REPAIR	•	•
Design Mark	FRAXE	L RE:	PAIR
Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Lasers for the medical and co	esmetic treatment of t e: 2007/12/14 First U	se In Commerce: 2007/12/14

U.S. Registration No.	3561791	Application Date	04/05/2007
Registration Date	01/13/2009	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	FRAXEL RE:STORE		

Design Mark			
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Description of Mark	NONE		
Goods/Services	Class 010. First use: First Use: 2007/12/07 First Use In Commerce: 2007/12/07 Lasers for the medical and cosmetic treatment of the face and skin Class 044. First use: First Use: 2007/12/07 First Use In Commerce: 2007/12/07 Cosmetic and plastic surgery and dermatological treatment services		
U.S. Registration No.	3502403	Application Date	04/05/2007
Registration Date	09/16/2008	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	FRAXEL RE:FINE		
Design Mark	FRAXE	L RE:	FINE
Description of Mark	NONE		
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U.S. Application No.	85232905	Application Date	02/03/2011
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	FRAXEL		

Design Mark	FRAXEL
Description of Mark	NONE
Goods/Services	Class 003. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0
	Skin creams in liquid and in solid form; beauty gels; skin masks; non- medicatedskin serums; skin cleansers; skin moisturizers; sun screens; skin whitening preparations
	Class 005. First use: First Use: 0 First Use In Commerce: 0
	Dressings for wounds; medicated skin care preparations

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Date	11/12/2014

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

In re Application Serial No. 86/212,264	)	Opposition No
Reliant Technologies, LLC	)	
Opposer,	)	Mark: FRAXEL Published for Opposition:
V.	)	July 15, 2014
Fractograf, LLC	)	
Applicant.	) )	
Commissioner for Trademarks P.O. Box 1451	,	

### **NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

Opposer, Reliant Technologies, LLC (hereafter "Reliant" or "Opposer"), is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal place of business at 25881 Industrial Boulevard, Hayward, California 94545.

Opposer believes that it will be damaged by registration of the mark "FRAXEL" shown in Application Serial No. 86/212,264, and hereby opposes same, and opposes registration for the goods set forth therein, namely:

Computer software to enable uploading, downloading, accessing, posting, displaying, editing, tagging, blogging, streaming, linking, sharing or otherwise providing electronic media or information via computer and communication networks; software for sending and receiving electronic messages, graphics, images, audio and audio visual content via global communication networks; computer software for the collection, editing, organizing, modifying, transmission, storage and sharing of data and information; computer software for accessing, browsing and searching online databases; computer software for personal information management, and data synchronization software, in International Class 9.

The subject application ("Application") was filed on March 5, 2014 under Section 1(b) of the Trademark Act, and published in the Official Gazette of July 15, 2014. Opposer obtained an extension of time to file an opposition to the Application, up to and including November 12, 2014. Thus, this Notice of Opposition is timely filed.

As grounds for the opposition, it is alleged that:

- 1. Reliant is the owner of several U.S. trademark registrations and prior filed applications of marks that comprise or include the term **FRAXEL**, covering a variety of goods and services, namely:
  - **FRAXEL** Registration No. 2,974,491 issued on July 19, 2005 in Class 10 for "Medical lasers";
  - FRAXEL Registration No. 3,259,488 issued on July 3, 2007 in Class 44 for "Cosmetic and plastic surgery and dermatological treatment services";
  - FRAXEL (and Design) Registration No. 3,518,039 issued on October 14, 2008 in Classes 10 and 44 for "Lasers for medical use," in Class 10; and "Plastic surgery and dermatological treatment services," in Class 44;
  - FRAXEL RE:PAIR Registration No. 3,450,499 issued on June 17, 2008 in Classes 10 and 44 for "Lasers for the medical and cosmetic treatment of the face and skin," in Class 10; and "Cosmetic and plastic surgery and dermatological treatment services", in Class 44;
  - FRAXEL RE:STORE Registration No. 3,561,791 issued on January 13, 2009 in Classes 10 and 44 for "Lasers for the medical and cosmetic treatment of the face and skin," in Class 10; and "Cosmetic and plastic surgery and dermatological treatment services", in Class 44;
  - FRAXEL RE:FINE Registration No. 3,502,403 issued on September 16, 2008 in Classes 10 and 44 for "Lasers for the medical and cosmetic treatment of the face and skin," in Class 10; and "Cosmetic and plastic surgery and dermatological treatment services," in Class 44; and
  - FRAXEL Application No. 85/232,905 filed on February 3, 2011 in Classes 3 and 5 for the following goods: "Skin creams in liquid and in solid form; beauty gels; skin masks; non-medicated skin serums; skin cleansers; skin moisturizers; sun screens; skin whitening preparations," in Class 3; and "Dressings for wounds; medicated skin care preparations," in Class 5.

The above-listed registrations are presently valid and in good standing. Copies of the Trademark Office records corresponding to each of the above-listed registrations and application are attached hereto as **Exhibit A.** These marks are collectively referred to hereinafter as the "FRAXEL Marks."

- 2. Reliant has registered the FRAXEL mark in countries around the world and operates an extensive global network of authorized doctors, treatment specialists, clinicians, and distributors through which FRAXEL-branded goods and services are offered via authorized and licensed doctors and treatment clinics in countries around the globe. Reliant provides information about the products and services it offers under the FRAXEL mark at its website, www.Fraxel.com.
- 3. Reliant has continuously used one or more of the FRAXEL Marks in U.S. commerce in connection with the above-described goods and/or services on a continuous and exclusive basis since at least as early as 2004, the date of first use in commerce recited in the '491 Registration for FRAXEL. Reliant has made continuous and uninterrupted use of the mark in U.S. commerce since that time and continues to date.
- 4. Reliant's FRAXEL treatment products and devices are also well-recognized and well-respected in the U.S. and beyond as a highly effective skin treatment.
- 5. Since the technology was introduced in 2004, Reliant has treated more than 800,000 patients with its proprietary FRAXEL technology. FRAXEL treatments are well-known and widely-sought because of the success patients have with the technology.
- 6. Reliant has expended substantial amounts of time, money and effort over the years in advertising, promoting and popularizing the FRAXEL Marks and in developing and preserving the good will associated therewith.

- 7. The public has come to know the FRAXEL Marks and recognize that any goods or services so marked originate with Reliant. The FRAXEL Marks have been so extensively used and advertised throughout the United States that these marks are associated exclusively with Reliant as a well-known provider of its goods and services.
- 8. From a time long prior to the filing of the Application at issue, Reliant has used the FRAXEL Marks in connection with the above-listed goods and services, for which the FRAXEL Marks have become famous within the meaning of the Lanham Act. Moreover, by virtue of the excellence and effectiveness of the treatment products and services offered to the public under the FRAXEL Marks, the mark has a valuable reputation.
- 9. Notwithstanding Opposer's long prior rights in and to the FRAXEL

  Marks, on information and belief, on March 5, 2014 Applicant Fractograf, LLC ("Applicant")

  filed an application for registration of the mark FRAXEL for goods described in U.S. Trademark

  Application Serial No. 86/212,264 as:

Computer software to enable uploading, downloading, accessing, posting, displaying, editing, tagging, blogging, streaming, linking, sharing or otherwise providing electronic media or information via computer and communication networks; software for sending and receiving electronic messages, graphics, images, audio and audio visual content via global communication networks; computer software for the collection, editing, organizing, modifying, transmission, storage and sharing of data and information; computer software for accessing, browsing and searching online databases; computer software for personal information management, and data synchronization software, in International Class 9.

10. Upon information and belief, Applicant is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Maryland, with an address of Suite 250, 8171 Maple Lawn Boulevard, Maple Lawn, Maryland 20759.

- 11. Applicant filed Application Serial No. 86/212,264 under Section 1(b) of the Trademark Act.
- 12. Applicant is not entitled to use or register as a trademark the mark FRAXEL for which it seeks registration in its Application Serial No. 86/212,264, either on March 5, 2014, the date of filing of said application, or on July 15, 2014, the date of publication thereof in the Official Gazette.
- 13. Applicant's FRAXEL mark is identical and confusingly similar to Opposer's FRAXEL Marks in appearance, sound, meaning, connotation, and commercial impression, and is used in connection with goods that are closely related to goods and services offered by Reliant.
- 14. Applicant knew or should have known of Opposer's FRAXEL Marks when it adopted the mark FRAXEL.
- 15. Applicant's adoption and use of the mark FRAXEL is without the license or permission of Opposer.
- Opposer's FRAXEL Marks as to be likely, when applied to the goods of Applicant, to cause confusion or mistake or to deceive persons by creating the erroneous impression that Applicant's goods originate with or come from Opposer, or are authorized, licensed, endorsed, sponsored by, or are connected in some way with Opposer, and therefore, the registration thereof by Applicant would be injurious to Opposer.

- 17. Registration of the FRAXEL mark by Applicant is barred by the provisions of 15 U.S.C. §1052(d), for the reason that it consists of or comprises a mark which so resembles Opposer's FRAXEL Marks previously registered in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, previously used by Opposer and not abandoned, as to be likely, when used in connection with the goods of Applicant, to cause confusion, mistake or to deceive. For the above reasons, any use of the mark FRAXEL by Applicant is likely to cause confusion, cause mistake or deceive the public, and cause the public to believe that the goods offered under the mark FRAXEL emanate from or are otherwise sponsored or endorsed by Opposer, in violation of Section 2(d) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §1052(d).
- Applicant's use of the FRAXEL mark is likely to cause dilution of the distinctiveness and good will associated with Opposer's FRAXEL Marks and therefore should be denied registration pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §1125(c).
- 19. Opposer will be damaged by registration of the FRAXEL mark to Applicant because registration of the mark will give Applicant *prima facie* evidence of its ownership of, and its exclusive nationwide right to use, a mark that is likely to impair the distinctiveness of Opposer's FRAXEL mark.
- 20. By reason of the foregoing, Opposer prays Application Serial No. 86/212,264 be rejected; and prays for judgment sustaining this opposition in Opposer's favor and refusing registration to Applicant of the mark shown in the subject Application.

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The opposition fee in the amount of \$300.00 is filed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in case of any deficiency.

Opposer requests such other and further relief as the Board may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: Nr. 12, 2014

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Opposition has been served upon the following by regular U.S. mail this 22 day of November, 2014:

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Int. Cl.: 10

Prior U.S. Cls.: 26, 39, and 44

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TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

## **FRAXEL**

RELIANT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (DELAWARE CORPORATION) 260 SHERIDAN AVE PALO ALTO, CA 94306

FOR: MEDICAL LASERS, IN CLASS 10 (U.S. CLS. 26, 39 AND 44).

FIRST USE 9-30-2004; IN COMMERCE 9-30-2004.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PARTICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

SN 78-364,508, FILED 2-8-2004.

CHERYL CLAYTON, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Int. Cl.: 44

Prior U.S. Cls.: 100 and 101

Reg. No. 3,259,488

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Registered July 3, 2007

### SERVICE MARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

## Fraxel

RELIANT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (DELAWARE CORPORATION) 464 ELLIS STREET MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

FOR: COSMETIC AND PLASTIC SURGERY AND DERMATOLOGICAL TREATMENT SERVICES, IN CLASS 44 (U.S. CLS. 100 AND 101).

FIRST USE 12-29-2005; IN COMMERCE 12-29-2005.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PARTICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NO. 2,974,491.

SN 78-774,531, FILED 12-15-2005.

JASON ROTH, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Prior U.S. Cls.: 26, 39, 44, 100, and 101

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 3,518,039 Registered Oct. 14, 2008

### TRADEMARK SERVICE MARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER



RELIANT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (DELAWARE CORPORATION)
464 ELLIS STREET
MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

FOR: LASERS FOR MEDICAL USE, IN CLASS 10 (U.S. CLS. 26, 39 AND 44).

FIRST USE 7-31-2007; IN COMMERCE 7-31-2007.

FOR: PLASTIC SURGERY AND DERMATOLO-GICAL TREATMENT SERVICES, IN CLASS 44 (U.S. CLS. 100 AND 101).

FIRST USE 4-7-2008; IN COMMERCE 4-7-2008.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 2.974.491 AND 3,259.488.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF THE WORD "FRAX-EL" TO THE RIGHT OF WHICH IS A DESIGN OF DOTS OF VARIOUS SIZES ARRANGED IN A SEMI-CIRCLE.

SN 77-975,811, FILED 10-20-2006.

LYDIA BELZER, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Prior U.S. Cls.: 26, 39, 44, 100, and 101

United States Patent and Trademark Office Re

Reg. No. 3,450,499 Registered June 17, 2008

### TRADEMARK SERVICE MARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

## FRAXEL RE:PAIR

RELIANT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (DELAWARE CORPORATION) 464 ELLIS STREET MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

FOR: LASERS FOR THE MEDICAL AND COSMETIC TREATMENT OF THE FACE AND SKIN, IN CLASS 10 (U.S. CLS. 26, 39 AND 44).

FIRST USE 12-14-2007; IN COMMERCE 12-14-2007.

FOR: COSMETIC AND PLASTIC SURGERY AND DERMATOLOGICAL TREATMENT SERVICES, IN CLASS 44 (U.S. CLS. 100 AND 101).

FIRST USE 12-14-2007; IN COMMERCE 12-14-2007.

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OWNER OF U.S. REG. NO. 2,974,491.

SN 77-150.163, FILED 4-5-2007.

DARRYL SPRUILL, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Prior U.S. Cls.: 26, 39, 44, 100, and 101

United States Patent and Trademark Office Regist

Reg. No. 3,561,791 Registered Jan. 13, 2009

### TRADEMARK SERVICE MARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

## FRAXEL RE:STORE

RELIANT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (DELAWARE CORPORATION)
464 ELLIS STREET
MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

FOR: LASERS FOR THE MEDICAL AND COSMETIC TREATMENT OF THE FACE AND SKIN, IN CLASS 10 (U.S. CLS. 26, 39 AND 44).

FIRST USE 12-7-2007; IN COMMERCE 12-7-2007.

FOR: COSMETIC AND PLASTIC SURGERY AND DERMATOLOGICAL TREATMENT SERVICES, IN CLASS 44 (U.S. CLS. 100 AND 101).

FIRST USE 12-7-2007; IN COMMERCE 12-7-2007.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PARTICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NO. 2.974,491.

SN 77-150.160, FILED 4-5-2007.

DARRYL SPRUILL, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Prior U.S. Cls.: 26, 39, 44, 100, and 101

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Reg. No. 3,502,403 Registered Sep. 16, 2008

### TRADEMARK SERVICE MARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

## FRAXEL RE:FINE

RELIANT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. (DELAWARE CORPORATION) 464 ELLIS STREET MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94043

FOR: LASERS FOR THE MEDICAL AND COSMETIC TREATMENT OF THE FACE AND SKIN, IN CLASS 10 (U.S. CLS. 26, 39 AND 44).

FIRST USE 7-31-2007; IN COMMERCE 7-31-2007.

FOR: COSMETIC AND PLASTIC SURGERY AND DERMATOLOGICAL TREATMENT SERVICES, IN CLASS 44 (U.S. CLS. 100 AND 101).

FIRST USE 7-31-2007; IN COMMERCE 7-31-2007.

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OWNER OF U.S. REG. NO. 2,974,491.

SN 77-150.156, FILED 4-5-2007.

DARRYL SPRUILL, EXAMINING ATTORNEY



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skin whitening preparations

IC 005. US 006 018 044 046 051 052. G & S: Dressings for wounds; medicated skin care

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